

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS Agricultural Lands Preservation Commission

c/o Department of Environmental Management 235 Promenade Street Providence, RI 02908



AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 20, 2011 MEETING

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Nelson, Dave Wallace, Martha Neale, Jim Pagliarini, and Ken Ayars

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Everett Stuart, George Mason and Will Wright

GUESTS: none

STAFF: Lis Peterman, Mike Moorman USDA/NRCS, and Mike Kenyon USDA/NRCS

The meeting was called to order at 5:05pm at USDA, 60 Quaker Lane, Warwick, RI by Kevin Nelson, Ken Ayars joined the meeting at 5:10 pm. The December 16, 2010 meeting minutes were reviewed and noted the year was incorrect, also the wording regarding the negotiating of the sale price of the Kee property in Warren should be re-worded. Mike Moorman noted that the Usher Farm in Bristol is not ready to close. *Martha Neale made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 16, 2010 meeting with appropriate corrections, motion was seconded by Dave Wallace, motion passed unanimously.*

Martha Neale made a motion to nominate Kevin Nelson as Vice-Chair, motion was seconded by Jim Pagliarini, motion passed unanimously. There is a vacancy for commission membership, John Reiner is a potential candidate.

Kee in Warren accepted the most recent offer for sale of their development rights. Lutchka/Coulter in Charlestown has 10 months before the cooperative agreement expires with USDA. Pezza appraisal in Cranston came in low, they may not move forward because of this.

The Payne Farm from Block Island was not scored due to a lack of information in the application *Dave Wallace made a motion to table scoring of the Payne Farm, motion was seconded by Martha Neale, motion passed unanimously.* New applications distributed included Lend a Hand Farm/Cranston, Aubleen Farm/Hopkinton, and Rocky Hill Farm/Warwick.

Deadline for FFRP applications is February 14, 2011, applications for consideration are Paulus/Glocester, Clifford/N.Smithfield, Payne/Block Island (subject to scoring), and Duncan/Richmond.

A motion was made by Jim Pagliarini to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Dave Wallace, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted, Lis Peterman, Division of Agriculture, RIDEM